PAPILIO PANTHOUS?

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Character Genericus.

Antennæ apicem verſus craſſiores, ſæpius clavato-capitatæ.

Alæ (ſedentis) erectæ ſurſumque conniventes (volatu diurno.)

Lin. Syſt. Nat. p. 744.

Character Specificus, &c.

PAPILIO alis dentatis nigris concoloribus; primoribus albo maculatis; poſticis maculis albis nigra fœtis.

Lin. Syſt. Nat. p. 748.
Eq. Tr.

Var. alis ſuperioribus immaculatis, inferioribus flavo tinctis.

Papilionem Panthoum in maximis papilionacei generis numerandum primo opinor fuiſſe a Seba depictum. Colores videntur non eſſe omnino certi, ſed paululum mutabiles. Fit enim interdum ut nonnullorum ſpeciminum alæ inferiores ſubflavo tingantur, qui aliis nullus eſt; et ut alarum ſuperiorum ſubfuſcus color ſaturatior longe ſit quam contigit papilioni quem depinximus.

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Generic Character.

Antennæ thickening towards the point into a clavated tip.

Wings (when at reſt) meeting upwards. (Flight diurnal.)

Specific Character, &c.

BUTTERFLY with dentated black wings, of ſimilar colors on both ſurfaces; the upper wings ſpotted with white, the lower marked with white ſpots including black ones.

Var. with the upper wings not ſpotted, and the lower ones tinged with yellow.

The Papilio Panthous, one of the largeſt of the Butterfly tribe, ſeems to have been firſt figured by Seba. In its colors it appears to vary conſiderably; ſome ſpecimens exhibiting a tinge of yellow in the lower wings which is not to be ſeen in others; and the brown on the upper wings is in ſome far deeper than in the ſpecimen here repreſented.